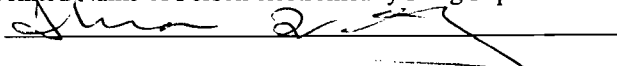


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Dear Sir:

This letter is an Election Response to the Office Communication regarding restriction requirement dated May 9, 2006. The Applicants hereby respectfully request favorable consideration of the below-submitted election and remarks.